Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Housing Program

SCAG Regional Transit Summit March 20, 2008

Key NOFA Information

- Funded by Proposition 1C, the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006
- \$95 Million (approximately)
- Application Deadline for this NOFA round was March 7th
- Funding awards to be made in June
- Next NOFA? Late Fall (estimated)

Geographic Distribution Objectives

- Awarding not less than <u>45%</u> to Southern California
- Awarding not less than 30% to Northern California
- Awarding <u>at least</u> one Project <u>per NOFA</u> Round in <u>each</u> of the four major COGS:
 - SCAG
 - SANDAG
 - SACOG
 - ABAG

Primary Program Objectives

Stimulate development of higher density uses including affordable rental and ownership housing opportunities within close proximity to transit

Facilitate connectivity between housing and transit

Encourage increased public transit use and to minimize automobile trips

Program Threshold Requirements

- Project must be located in qualified Urbanized Area
- Within one-quarter mile from a Qualifying Transit Station
- Minimum 15% of total residential units as Restricted Units
- Minimum net density requirements depending on Project Location Designation
- Construction of Project shall not have commenced

Maximum Program Assistance

- \$17 million total maximum Program loan, grant, or any combination of the two for a single Housing Development
- \$50 million total maximum assistance for applications based on a <u>single Qualifying</u> <u>Transit Station</u> over the life of the Program

Rental Units Terms and Limits

\$65,000 base (60% AMI) per-unit loan limit for Central Valley and Southern California

\$50,000 base (60% AMI) per-unit loan limit for Northern California

\$20,000 increase to all other per-unit loan limits per the 2007 chart

Homeownership Terms and Limits

- Funding provided in accordance to the May 21, 2007 BEGIN guidelines (except for the requirements of regulatory relief)
- Program assistance in the form of a grant to a Locality to provide a loan to qualified first-time home buyers
- \$30,000 or 20% of sales price whichever is less

RDA Land Acquisition Loan Terms and Limits

- Redevelopment Agencies ONLY
- 6% interest rate until conversion to perm.
- Loan may be assumable by developer of proposed Housing developer
- Loan amount shall not exceed the <u>lesser</u> of:
 - > 80 % of value of land to be acquired
 - \$50,000 per residential unit in the proposed Housing Development
 - > \$3 million

Infrastructure Grant Terms and Limits

- \$50,000 per Restricted Unit in proposed Housing Development
- \$35,000 per residential unit in proposed Housing Development
- \$10,000 per residential unit for improvements that enhance access to transit
- Committed, matching cash contribution equal to 20% of grant request

TOD Program's Unique Scoring Criteria

- Transit performance, increased ridership, and automobile trip reduction
- Location of Project
- Transit-supportive land use/amenities
- Walkability
- Parking
- Leverage
- Community Support
- Project Size

1st Round Results

58 applications received

Requesting more than \$540M in TOD funds

Representing more than \$4B in proposed TOD projects

What about SCAG?

22 Applications submitted

Requesting more than \$153M in TOD funds

Representing approximately \$1.45B in proposed TOD projects